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## THERMOPOLIS, WYOMING

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POWELL, WYO.

Thermopolis—literally, the Hot City—was so named for the Hot Springs in close proximity. It was established in 1897 when the portion of the Wind River Indian Reservation on which it stands, was opened to settlement. The town was immediately incorporated and townsite filed on by the corporate authorities under the United States land laws.

The story of Thermopolis is one of a thriving little city that has grown and prospered in spite of its heretofore isolated situation, and the story of the country round about is one of limitless resources and vast opportunity. With the passing of the public domain, the settler has pushed back into the out-of-the-way places. The history of the peopling of the west has proven, that the first settler passes on when the neighbors become thick enough to touch elbows with him, and that he gives way to the man who really improves the country and builds it up and becomes a part of the permanent population.

The valley of the Big Horn, in North Central Wyoming, has been little known to the outside world, because it has been remote from the great railway arteries that form the circulation system of the country. The Burlington System, has completed the northern end of the connecting link (as far as Thermopolis) which will connect the Gulf Coast and the Great Northwest. The balance is under construction and expected to be finished by January, 1911.

### BIG HORN HOT SPRINGS.

"Where Ponce De Leon's dream came true," might appropriately be given as the title of an article on the Big Horn Hot Springs. When he came across the Atlantic with the early explorers, seeking the Fountain of Perpetual Youth, which legends told him he would find in the unknown western world, and whose waters held the magic property of giving to

him who drank of them immunity from the physical ills to which mortals are heir, and bid defiance to the fight of time. Although eternal youth is not given to us in this life probably nowhere else on earth is anything so nearly approaching the ideal of the old Spanish explorer as the Big Horn Hot Springs. Carlsbad, Aix la Chapelle, Marienbad and Teplitz are of world-wide fame for their healing properties, and it is given as the opinion of eminent authorities that none of them contain more virtue than our own Springs at Thermopolis. Some years ago Prof. M. P. Schuetzenberger, of the College de France at Paris, analyzed the waters at the request of Dr. J. A. Schuelke and declared they represented the highest type known. Those who have been accustomed to seeing hot springs of the class represented by standing pools or trickling springs are amazed on visiting the Big Horn Hot Springs, where the Big Horn Hot Spring alone flows a volume of 18,600,000 gallons per 24 hours at a temperature of 135 degrees Fahr. This hot spring is about 25 feet in diameter and boils as vigorously as any housewife's kitchen pot, presenting a grand and interesting spectacle, of which the visitor never tires. On flowing from the spring, the water wends its way about one-quarter of a mile, through a channel it has cut across the "formation" and tumbles into the Big Horn River in a beautiful falls of about forty feet. The magic charm of the springs, the falls and the formation can not well be described, but must be seen to be appreciated. The formation spoken of consists of a snow white bed of the consistency of soft rock, covering several acres, and many feet in thickness, built through countless ages by the precipitation of the solids held in solution by the waters. In places it is formed into handsome terraces, while the walks from the bath-houses to the

springs are provided by nature over a surface as smooth and firm as a cement floor.

The remarkable efficacy of these waters in the restoration of health is what commends them chiefly to the consideration of the suffering public. The water is especially effective in the cure of all blood and skin diseases, rheumatism, and kidney complaints. People come from hundreds of miles to take treatment here and when the waters are more thoroughly known they will draw their patrons from everywhere on the continent. Innumerable cases may be cited where other springs had failed to effect a cure and the sufferer found full and permanent relief here.

When the tract on which the springs are located was bought by the government from the Indians in 1897, Washakie, chief of the Shoshones, stipulated that a portion of the water of the Big Spring should be reserved forever for free public use. In the patent from the National Government to the State of Wyoming, of one mile square known as the Big Horn Hot Springs Reserve, the same condition was inserted, and it is thus assured that one-fourth of the water of the Big Spring will be free for all time.

Besides the Big Spring, there are many smaller ones, of various chemical properties and any disease that will yield to the treatment of hot water, will find its proper remedy among them. The water, when bottled, makes as fine a drink as any table water on the market.

Below is an analysis of the water of the Big Spring, made by Prof. Schuetzenberger:

Sulphuretted Hydrogen.....	.0268
Sulphate of Lime.....	.6367
Sulphate of Magnesium.....	.3285
Alkaline Chlorides of Sodium and Potassium .....	.5583
(Of this latter the Chloride of Sodium prevails four-fifths and the Chloride of Potassium one-fifth.)	
Carbonate of Lime.....	.5250
Oxide of Iron, Silica, Organic Matter and Loss.....	.101
Fixed Residue.....	2.1763
This is per Litre.	
Temperature 135° F.	

#### CLIMATE.

Climate is recognized as an important element in the treatment of disease. Nowhere on earth are climatic conditions more favorable for the cure of consumption than he is on the slope of the Rockies. It is mild and immune from storms by reason of the conformation of the nearby mountains, and charged

with the life-giving ozone that is death to the germs of tuberculosis. He who suffers from the depressing and enervating effect of lower altitudes should not overlook the benefit to be derived from a season of rest and recuperation here. The altitude of Thermopolis is 4,350 feet above sea level.

The population of Thermopolis today is 1,500 and is steadily increasing.

It possesses one of the finest schools in the state, valued at \$25,000. There are twelve grades, including High School, and a fully equipped manual training department for work in wood.

An up-to-date system of water works has been installed at a cost of \$50,000, the water being taken by a filter system from the Big Horn River, pumped into a reservoir at sufficient elevation to give adequate pressure for all needs and from there distributed through a system of iron pipes.

The streets are broad and well graded and the townsite has just enough slope to insure admirable drainage.

A fine sewerage system is about to be installed, the contracts having already been let, and the work will be under way shortly.

The town is supplied with electric light and power. The plant is situated nearby and run by steam and water power from the river.

Of fraternal orders there are the Masonic, Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, Modern Woodmen of America, Modern Brotherhood of America, Eastern Star, Rebekas and Royal Neighbors. All have excellent organizations and are in thriving condition.

#### COAL LANDS.

Within a radius of twenty miles are vast coal lands, the extent of which has never been determined. Much of this land still belongs to the government and offers an attractive field for speculation. The coal is of the best quality found in the West and is clean from foreign matter. At Gebo and Crosby, twelve miles from Thermopolis, large companies are mining this coal and find a ready market in the mining camps of Montana and the entire Northwest.

#### SULPHUR.

Only four miles from Thermopolis is the refining plant of the Wyoming Sulphur Company, which has the most complete equipment of the kind in the United States. Immense and inexhaustible beds of this commodity are here, and so pure is the quality of the output that the present capacity of the mill is not sufficient to supply the demand.

#### **MINES AND MINERALS.**

On Copper Mountain and Owl Creek Mountains four miles south of Thermopolis, are vast, highly mineralized deposits of metal-bearing rock, carrying rich values in copper, gold and silver in smaller quantities.

#### **OTHER PRODUCTS OF THE EARTH.**

In the immediate vicinity of the town are immense quarries of superb building stone, including white, gray, yellow and red sandstone, a handsome reddish brown marble and many other varieties. The excellence of these stones may be judged by the illustrations of some of the magnificent buildings, shown in this booklet.

Limestone and gypsum, cement shale, excellent brick and tile clays abound here and every indication points to the existence of oil and gas. Geographically we are in the center of a great oil field that extends over Fremont and Big Horn Counties, where many gushers have been developed in the course of the last few years.

#### **STOCK RAISING.**

In the early days of the state the chief industry was the growing of livestock. With the establishment of other industries, there has also been great advancement made in this line. In all the broad expanse of the state there is no better grazing field than the country surrounding Thermopolis. The lower valleys and broken lands furnish splendid winter range, while the mountains support the flocks and herds during summer months. Sheep, cattle and horses are raised in vast numbers, finding ample sustenance, in most cases, on the open range throughout the entire year.

#### **AGRICULTURE.**

Many thousands of acres of as productive land as lies out of doors have been reclaimed along the Big Horn River, Owl Creek and

other of the smaller streams, and yet irrigated farming is only in its infancy. Other thousands of acres, perhaps a little more difficult to water, are waiting for the man who would build a home and reap the fruits of his labor. An abundance of water flows in the Big Horn River for the reclamation of many times the amount of land tributary to it.

Alfalfa is the chief crop grown, conditions being favorable to the growth of this wonderful forage plant. Three crops are commonly cut and the yield enormously heavy.

Small grain does exceptionally well.

All kinds of garden produce grow in abundance. Fruits of the harder varieties and berries thrive well and produce enormous crops. Nearly all the orchards are young, but have attained sufficient maturity to bear fruit, and prove that horticulture is not an experiment, but is destined to be an entire success.

Dry farming in Wyoming was not taken seriously until the last year or two, but is now making rapid headway.

#### **FISH AND GAME.**

The greatest big game hunting ground in the United States is situated in the main range of the Rockies, west of Thermopolis. Elk, deer, mountain sheep, antelope and bear abound. Splendid trout fishing can be found in the Big Horn Mountains. Sportsmen will find it convenient to outfit at Thermopolis for a trip to the hunting and fishing regions.

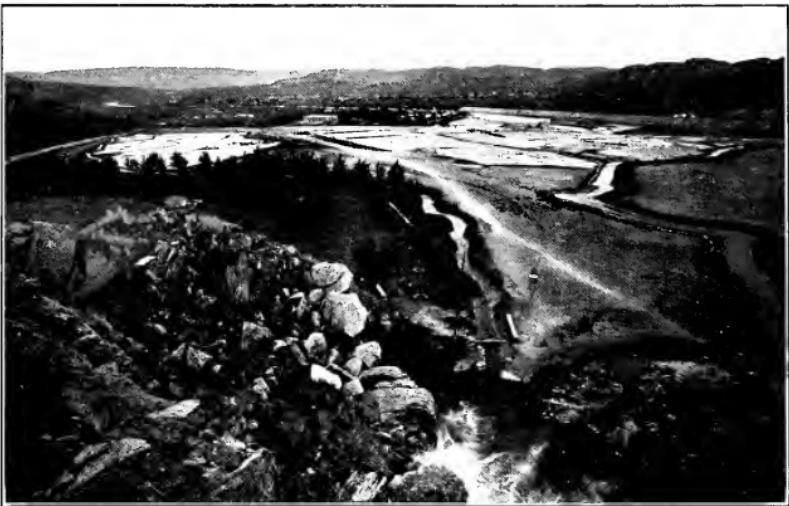
#### **CONCLUSION.**

Any person wishing to better his worldly condition, or searching for health and recreation, should not fail to visit Thermopolis, and investigate the possibilities of the town, the springs, and the surrounding country. This may be said in all confidence, for they will stand the test of examination.

Inquiries addressed to the Secretary of the Thermopolis Club will receive a prompt and courteous reply.

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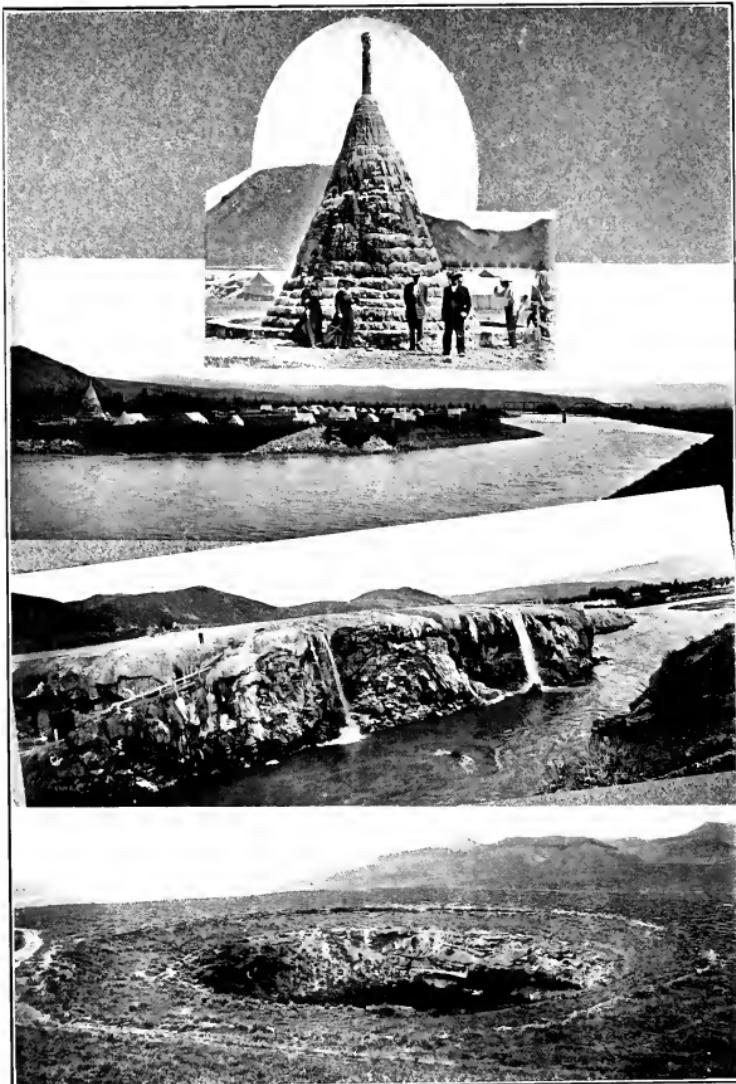




BIRDSEYE VIEW, SHOWING BIG HORN HOT SPRING AND "FORMATION"



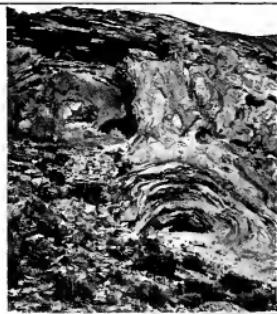
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Flows 18,600,000 Gallons of Water per 24 Hours at a Temperature of 135 Degrees Fahr.



THE FOUNTAIN  
FREE CAMPING GROUNDS, BIG HORN RIVER  
FALLS OF THE BIG HORN HOT SPRING  
DEVIL'S PUNCH BOWL.



SULPHUR SPRING



Interesting and Peculiar Rock Formation  
Near the Spring



STATE BATH HOUSE

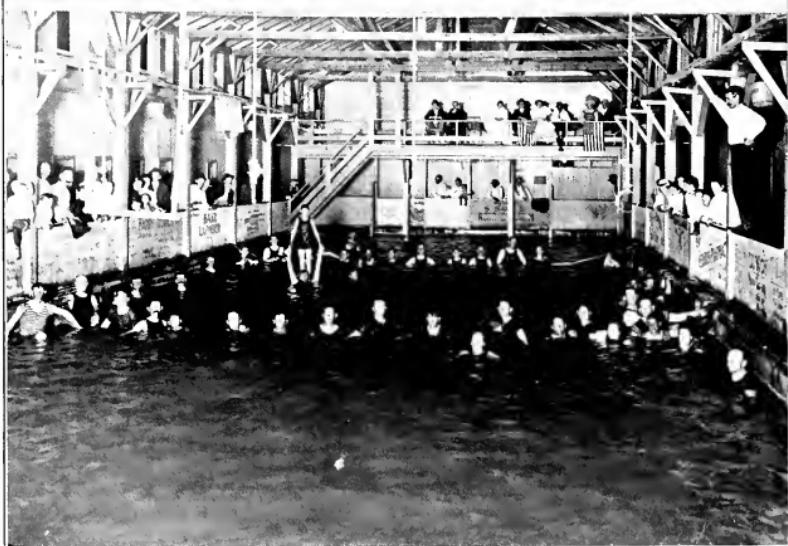


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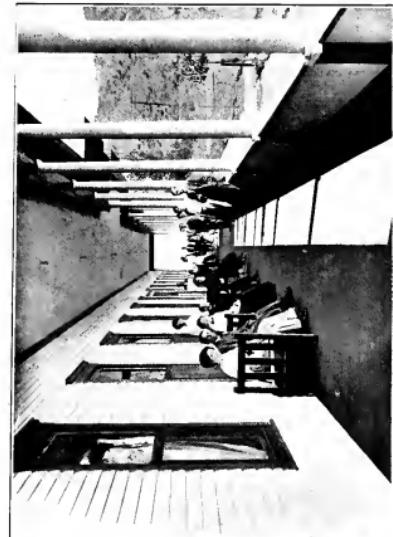


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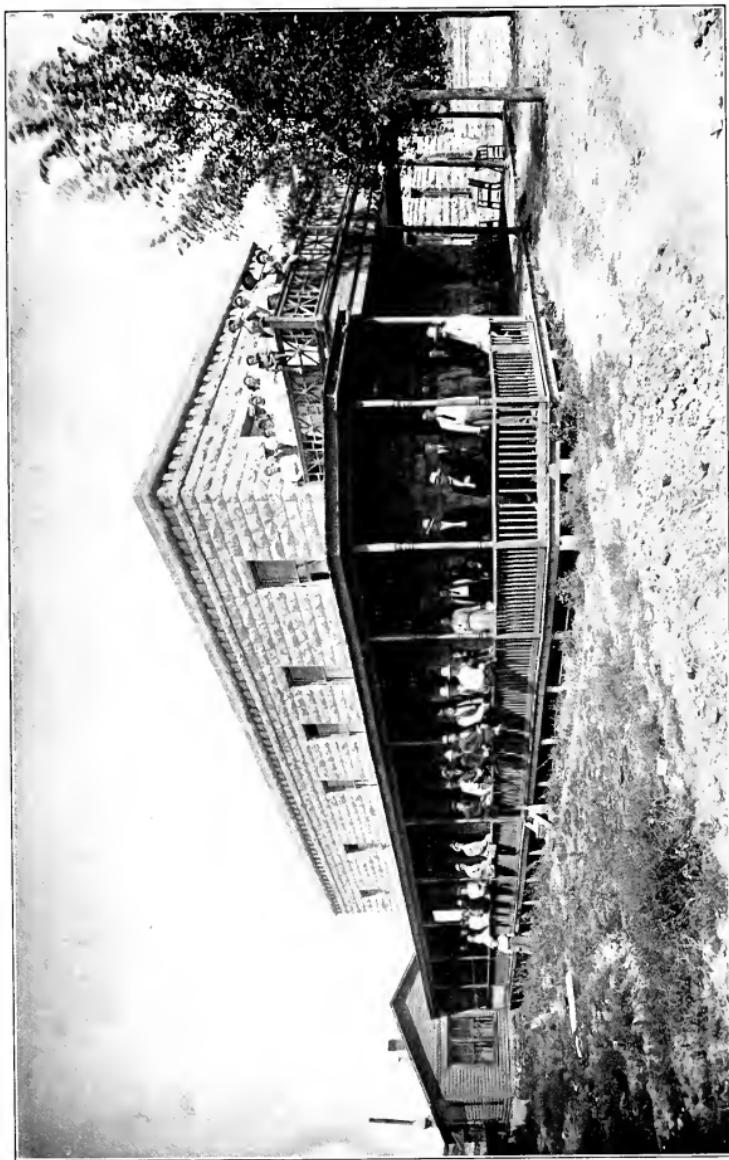


## WASHAKIE HOTEL AND BATH HOUSE

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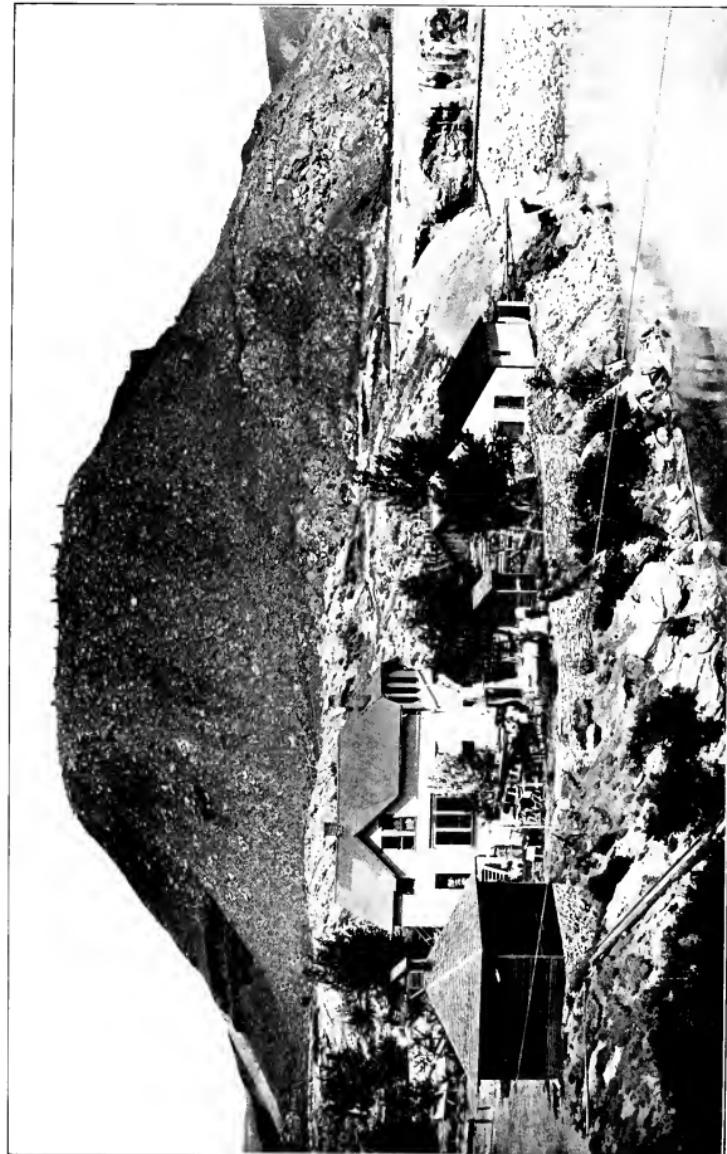
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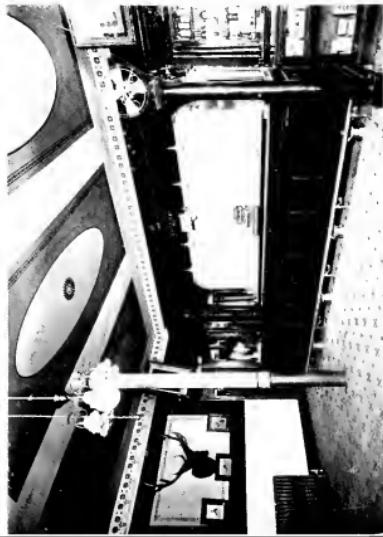
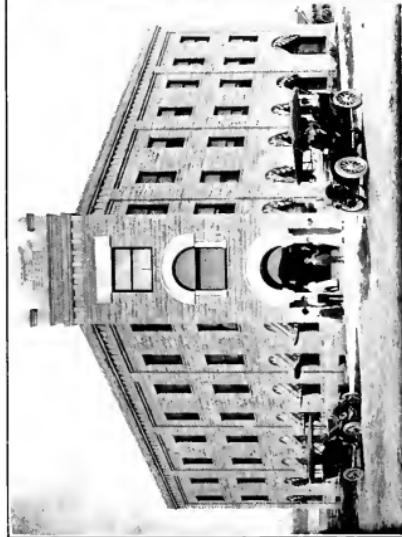
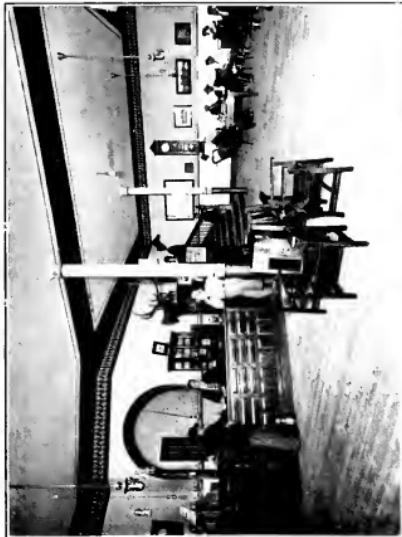
### PLEASANT VIEW SANITARIUM

FRANK ABBOTT, Proprietor

On the Banks of the Big Horn. Monument Hill in the Background  
Rates, Board and Baths, \$2 per day; \$12.50 per week.

The hot waters of this popular resort are noted for the cure  
of Constipation, Rheumatism, Blood Diseases, Kidney and  
Stomach Troubles, Hay Fever and Catarrh.  
Physicians in attendance.

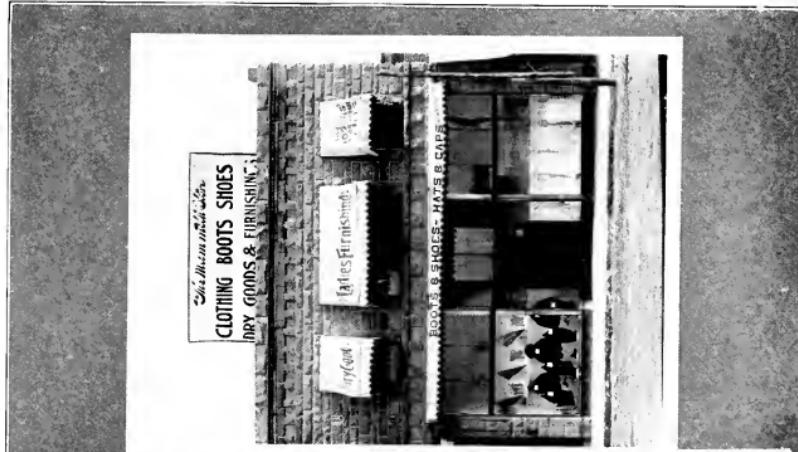
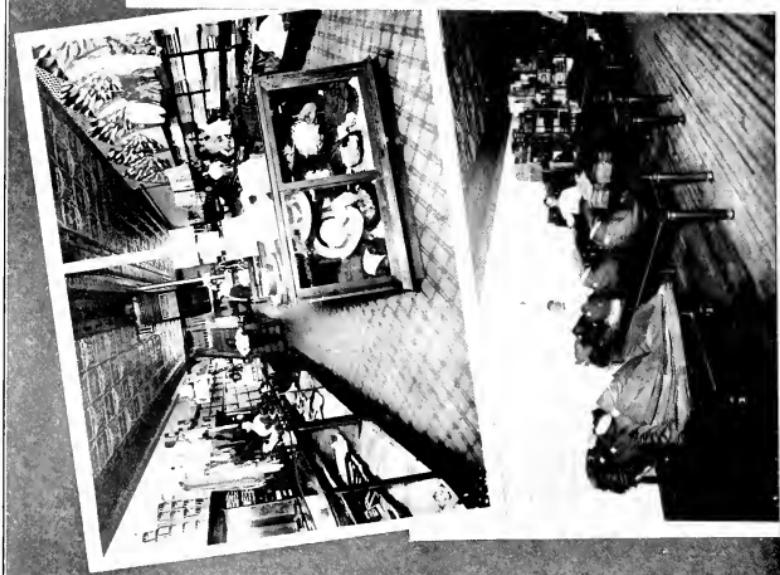
Temperature of spring, 130° F.  
Analysis: Iron, Aluminium, Magnesium, Strontium,  
Calcium, Sodium, Potassium, Chlorine, Bromine,  
Carbonates, Sulphates. B. SMITH HOPKINS,  
Chemist, Lincoln Nebraska



MODERN THROUGHOUT  
EUROPEAN PLAN

THE EMERY  
FINEST HOTEL IN WYOMING

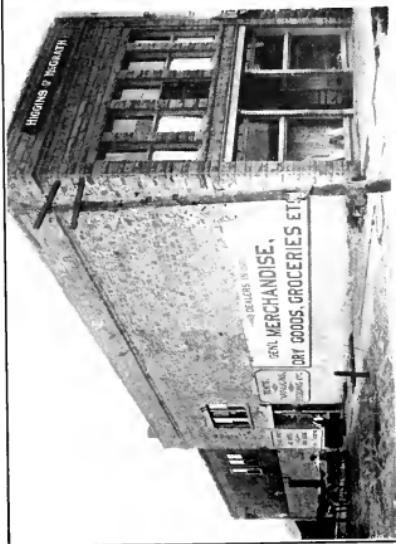
RATES \$1.00 AND UP  
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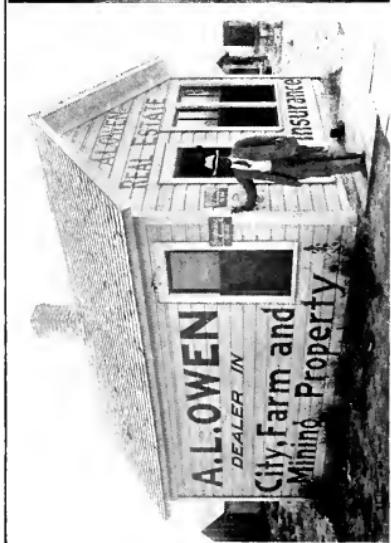
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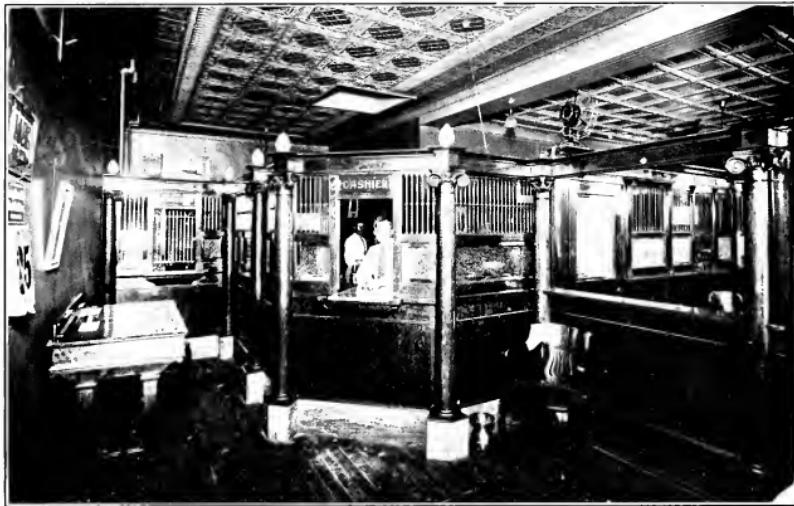
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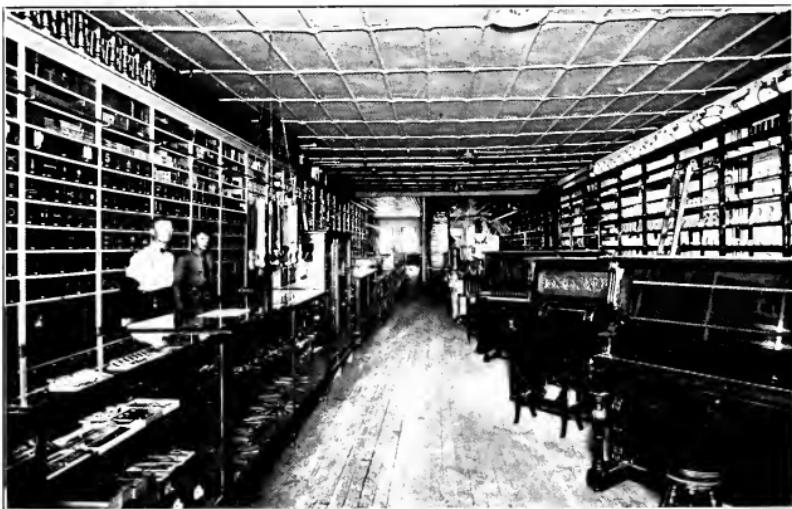
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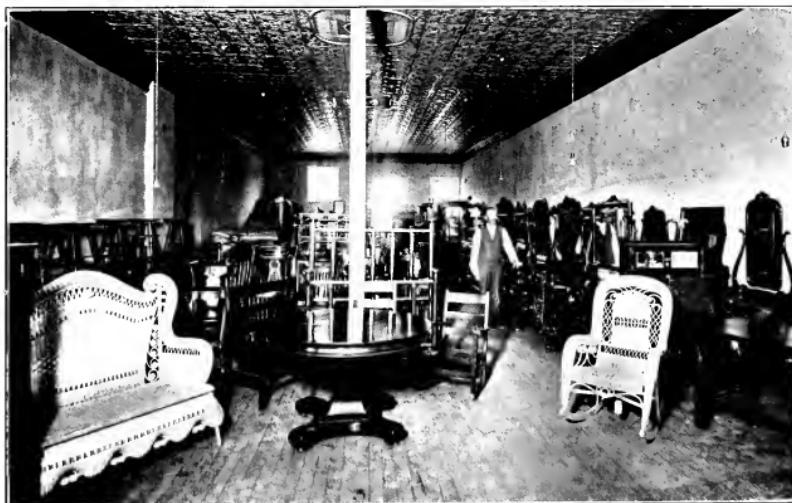


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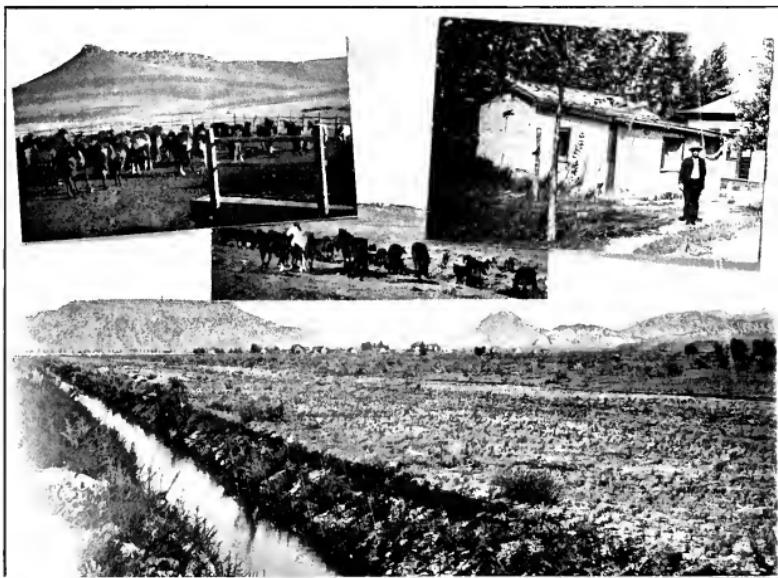
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THE McMANIGAL ADDITION, located on the banks of the Big Horn, destined to become a fine residential section of Thermopolis. Mr. F. S. McManigal was the first settler, having filed on a 160-acre homestead June 11, 1897. One hundred acres of the original homestead has now become part of the business and residential section of Thermopolis. The first cabin in Thermopolis, built by Mr. F. S. McManigal on his homestead.



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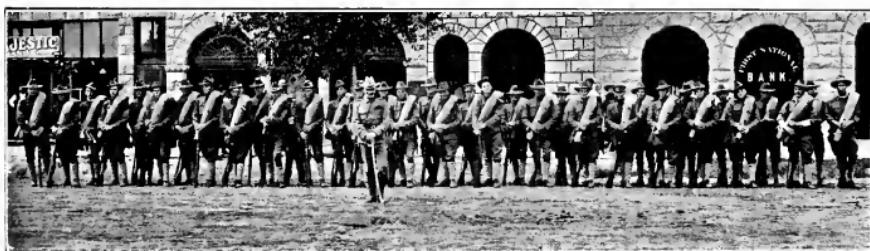
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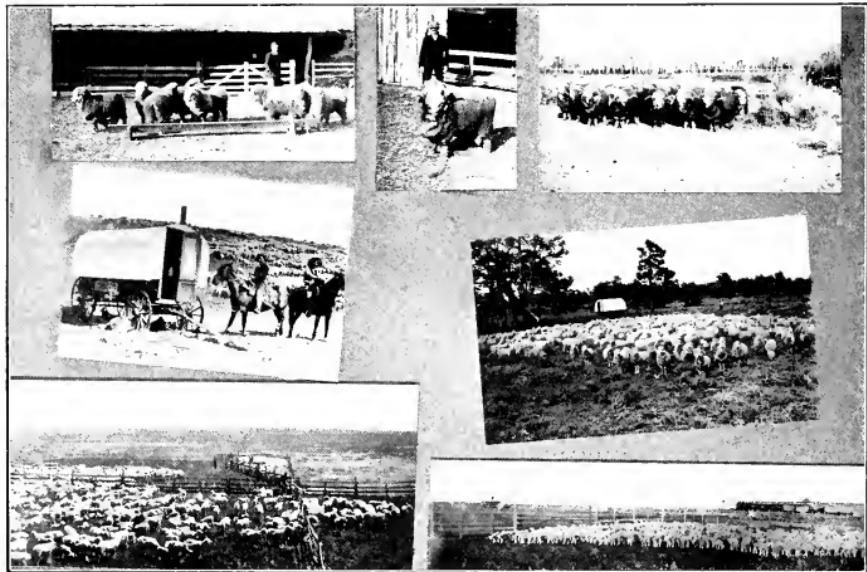
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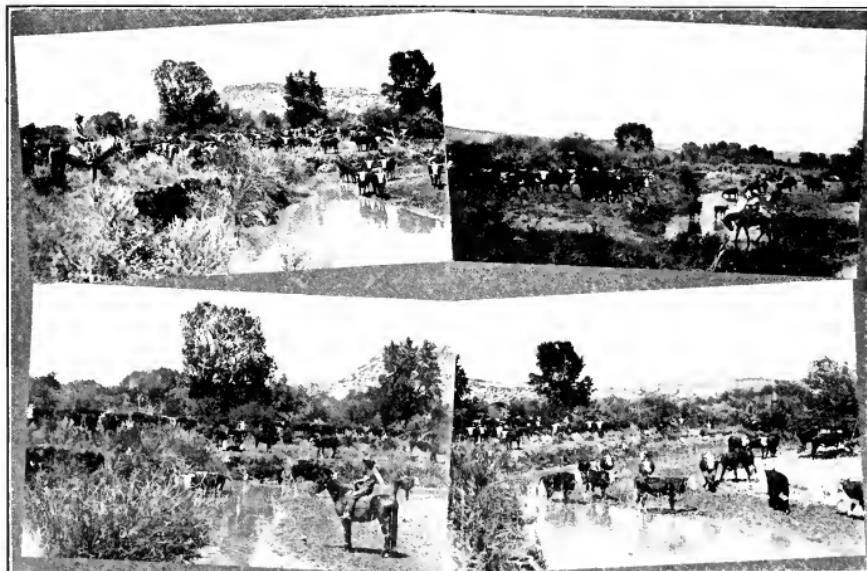
BIRDSEYE VIEW OF THERMOPOLIS



A FEW OF THE COZY HOMES AROUND TOWN



WYOMING SHEEP



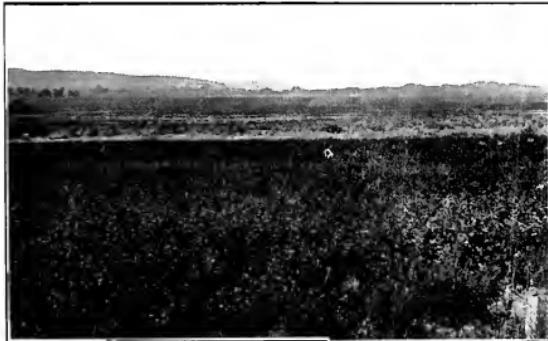
THOROUGHBRED HEREFORD CATTLE, RAISED NEAR THERMOPOLIS



The picture below shows one of the most valuable gypsum deposits in the United States. Mr. Chase was awarded first prize at the St. Louis Exposition on the raw gypsum. This gypsum strata is about  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles long on his land. This property will be a source of great wealth to Thermopolis in the near future.



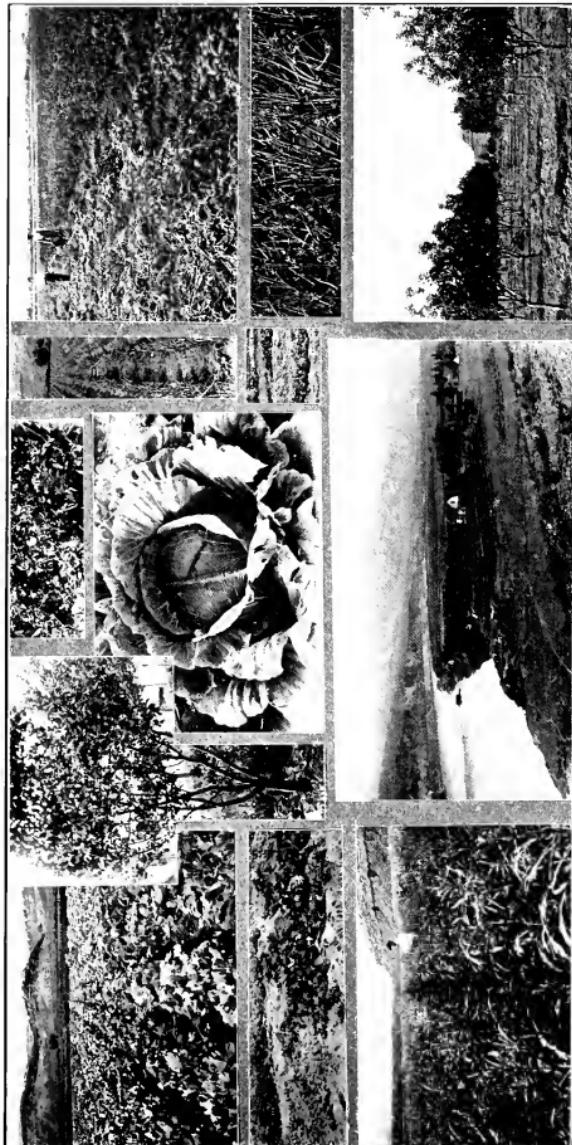
Mr. G. B. Chase has 320 acres of land, on which are located valuable stone quarries, cement shale and gypsum. The picture above shows the limestone and building rock quarry.



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IN THE FAMOUS OWL CREEK VALLEY, NEAR THERMOPOLIS

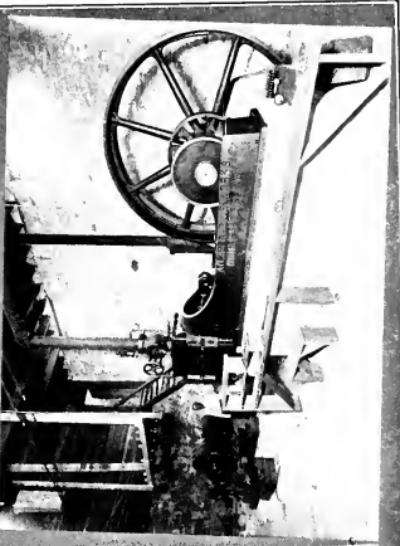
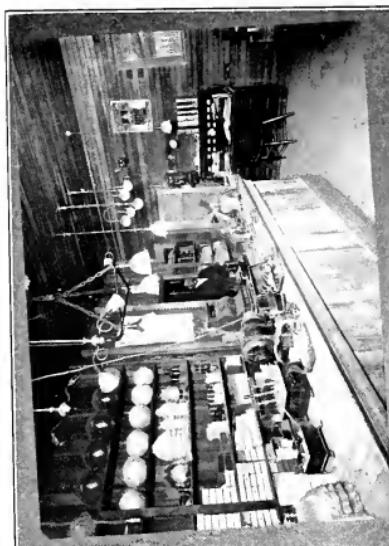




THE GAYLOR IRRIGATED FARM, NEAR HERMOPOLIS  
Containing 160 acres, of which 50 acres have been improved. The improvements of the place are  
valued at \$20,000. This demonstrates what can be done by industrious farmers. Mr. Gaylor raises all kinds of garden produce, fruit and alfalfa.



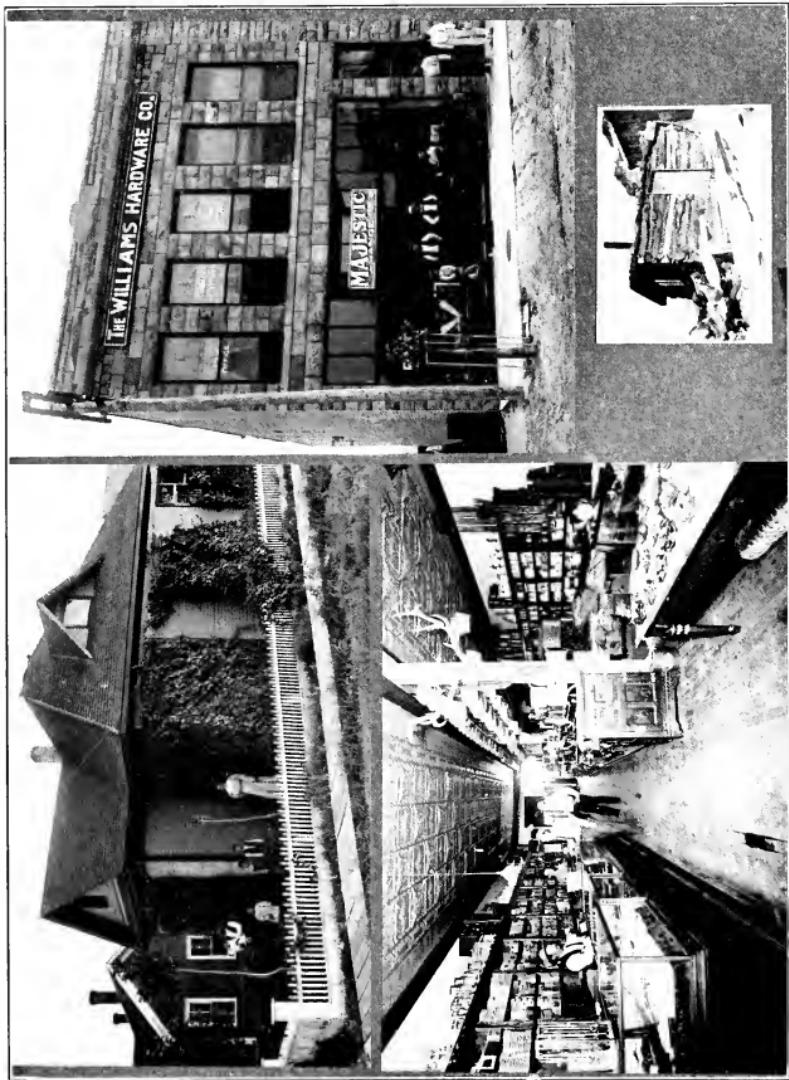
DRY FARM OWNED BY MR. CHAS. HAROLD. There are approximately 10,000 acres of this land close to Thermopolis subject to entry under the Mondell 320 Acre Act



HOT SPRINGS LIGHT AND POWER CO.

The First Cabin at Depass-Williams-Lumen Copper Mine

THE WILLIAMS HARDWARE COMPANY





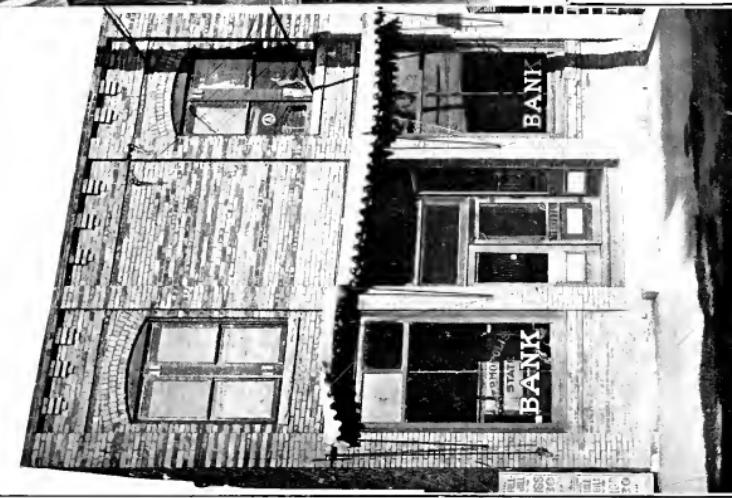
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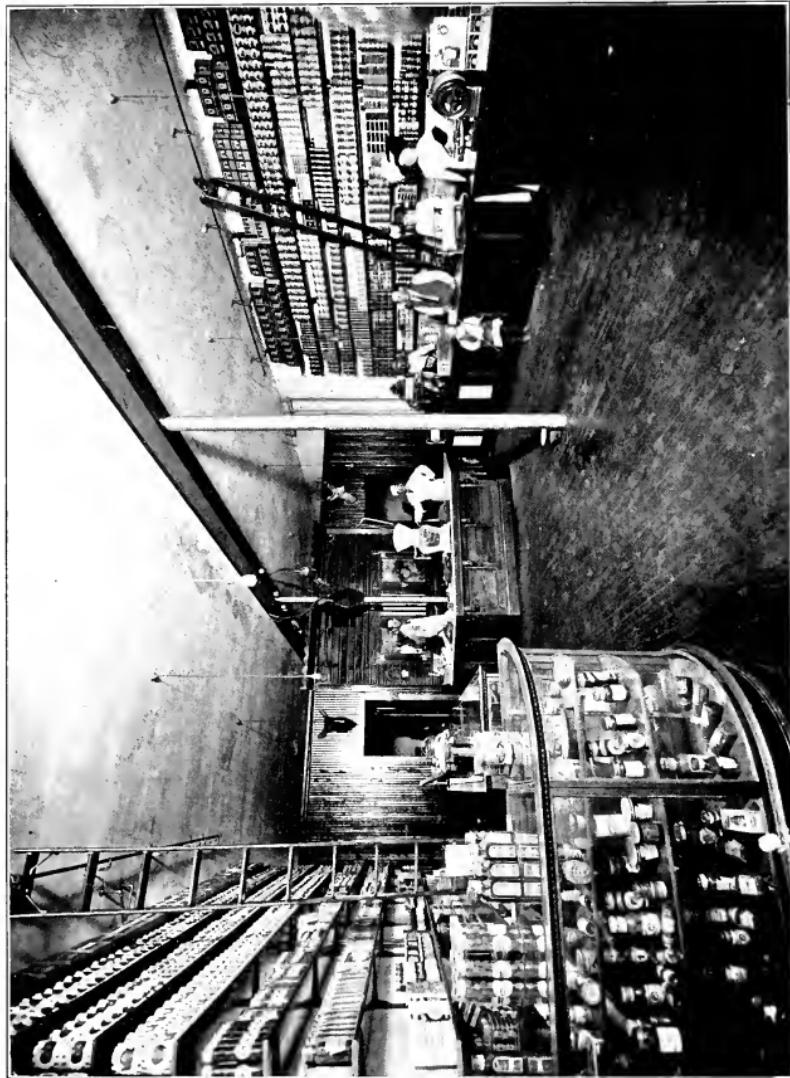
STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF  
THE THERMOPOLIS STATE BANK

Upon Call of State Examiner, June 30, 1910

RESOURCES	LIABILITIES
Loans	\$ 72,704.51
Overdrafts	248.62
Furniture and Fixtures	505.418
Cash on hand and due from banks	2,390.60
	91,677.77
	\$119,761.95



Deposits, June 30, 1903 \$26,946.12  
Deposits, June 30, 1909 46,285.25  
Deposits, June 30, 1910 91,677.77  
The Cause—Better Service



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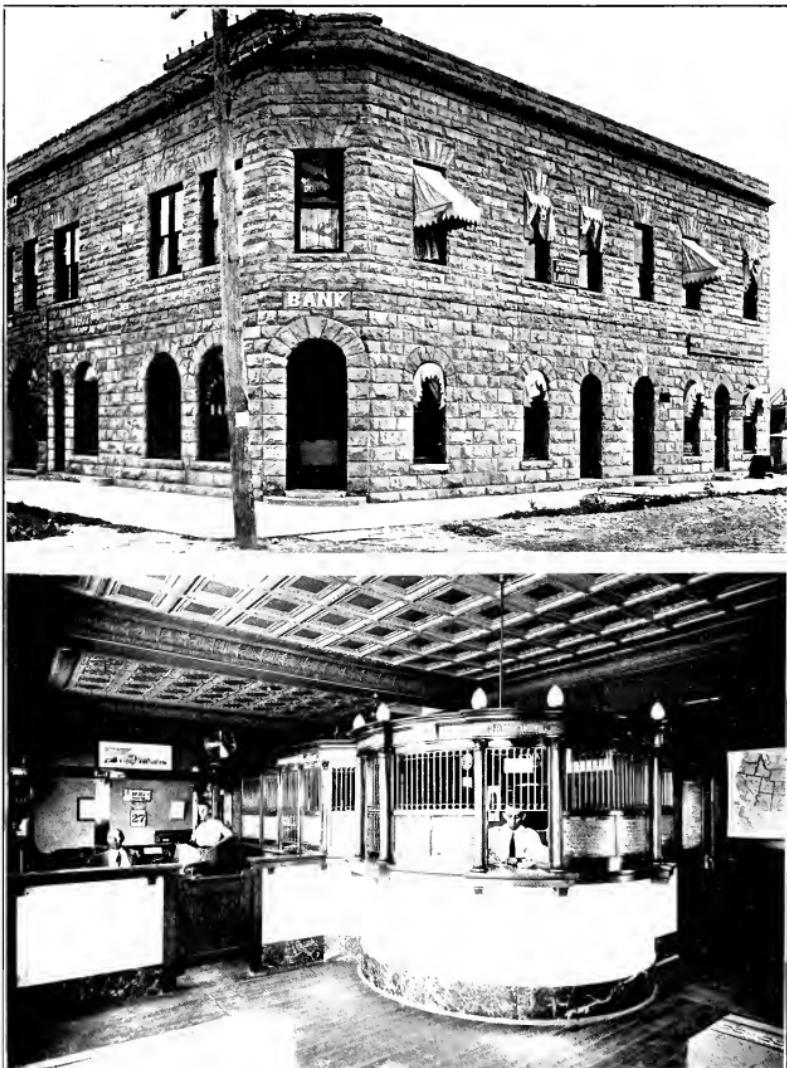
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THE BUSIEST PLACE IN TOWN  
GEO. W. HERARD, Proprietor



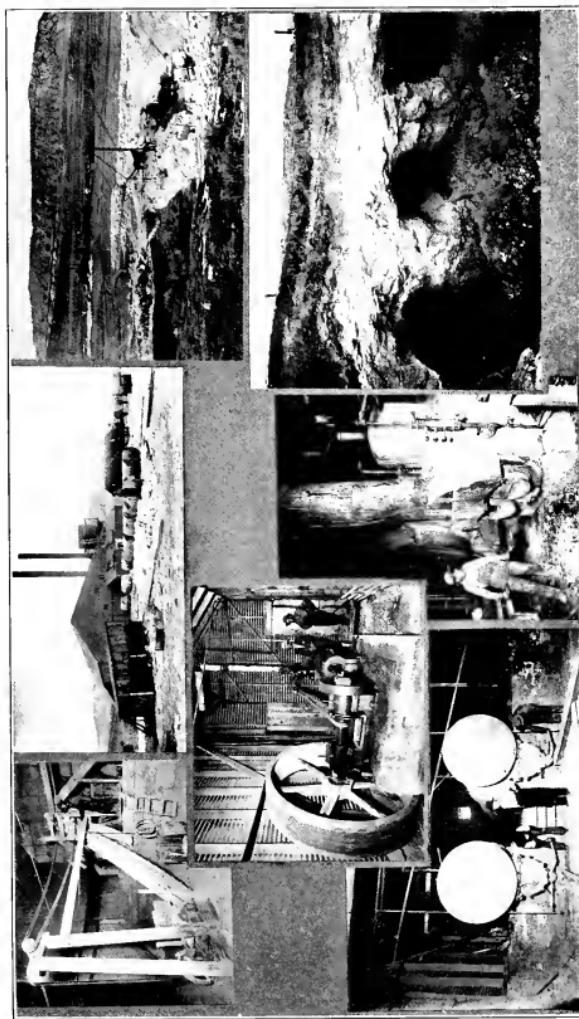
THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK  
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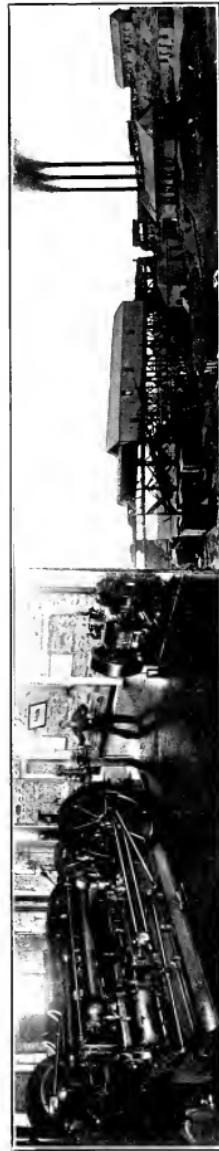
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REFINING PLANT AND MINES OF THE WYOMING SULPHUR COMPANY



THE OWL CREEK COAL MINING CO. AT GEBO, 12 MILES FROM THERMOPOLIS

